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## **MULTIPLE GRADED STAKES WINNER FINITE TOPS SATURDAY'S \$100,000 CHILUKKI**

**LOUISVILLE, Ky. (Wednesday, Nov. 18, 2020) – Winchell Thoroughbreds, Thomas Reiman, William Dickson and Deborah Easter's** multiple graded stakes winning filly **Finite** tops Saturday's 35<sup>th</sup> running of the Grade III, \$100,000 Chilukki Stakes at Churchill Downs.

Run at one mile, the Chilukki is carded as Race 9 with a post time of 5:06 p.m. (all times Eastern). First post for the 10-race program is 1 p.m.

Finite, a 3-year-old filly by Munnings, was the narrow runner-up finisher behind **Venetian Harbor** in last month's \$200,000 Raven Run (GII) at Keeneland. Previously, the **Steve Asmussen**-trained Finite was on the Kentucky Oaks (GI) trail after victories in the \$120,000 Rags to Riches, \$300,000 Golden Rod (GII), \$150,000 Silverbulletday and \$300,000 Rachel Alexandra (GII). Following her fourth-place effort in the \$400,000 Fair Grounds Oaks (GII), Finite underwent minor ankle surgery but returned to Asmussen's stable a few months later.

Jockey **Ricardo Santana Jr.** has the call on Finite who will break from post position No. 2.

Among Finite's rivals entered in the Chilukki is **Speedway Stable's** Raven Run third-place finisher **Grand Cru Classe**. Trained by **Bill Mott**, Grand Cru Classe finished a half-length behind Finite in the seven-furlong Raven Run at odds of 20-1. The daughter of Bernardini has recorded three victories in just four starts including a narrow win in the \$100,000 Weber City Miss Stakes at Laurel.

**Tyler Gaffalione** has the call on Grand Cru Classe and will break from post 3.

Also entered in the Chilukki is **Fox Hill Farms'** stakes winner **Whoa Nellie**. Trained by **Larry Jones**, Whoa Nellie is scheduled make her first start in more than nine months following a runner-up finish in the \$200,000 Bayakoa (GIII). The speedy daughter of Orb was in top form over the winter recording an impressive 2 3/4-length allowance score in December at Turfway and a dominating 4 1/2-length victory in the \$100,000 Pippin Stakes at Oaklawn in January.

**Joe Rocco Jr.** has the call on Whoa Nellie who drew post 4.

The other fillies and mares that entered the Chilukki are **Scott Herbertson's** 11-time winner **Crazy Sexy Munny**; **Stonestreet Stables** and **LNJ Foxwoods'** multiple graded stakes placed **Gold Standard**; **Bluegrass Bred Racing** and **Breeding Farm's** three-time winner **New Roo**; **Ghost Hollow Farm's** graded stakes placed **Risky Mandate**; and **Matriarca's** Chilean Grade I winner **Sanenus**; and **Pantofel Stable, Wachtel Stable** and **Peter Deutsch's** stakes winner **Unique Factor**.

The complete field for the Chilukki from the rail out (with jockey and trainer): New Roo (Brian Hernandez Jr., Tommy Drury); Finite (Santana, Asmussen); Grand Cru Classe (Gaffalione, Mott); Whoa Nellie (Rocco, Jones); Gold Standard (Florent Geroux, Brad Cox); Risky Mandate (Miguel Mena, Tom Amoss); Crazy Sexy Munny (Crystal Conning, Bill Morey); Unique Factor (Corey Lanerie, Peter Miller); and Sanenus (Rafael Bejarano, Michael McCarthy).

The Chilukki is named after the three-time Churchill Downs stakes-winning filly. Trained by **Bob Baffert**, Chilukki set two track records beneath the Twin Spires – her 1999 4 1/4 furlong debut performance in :51 and a scorching one-mile clocking in 1:33.57, breaking the 31-year track record in this event in 2000.

**THIS WEEK AT CHURCHILL DOWNS** – Racing beneath the Twin Spires continued for a five-day race week on Wednesday with a daily first post of 1 p.m.

Wednesday's nine-race program featured a \$136,661 carryover in the 20-cent Single 6 Jackpot.

On Thursday, the nine-race card will feature an \$89,000 second-level allowance event led by former \$2.6 million Keeneland September Sale yearling purchase and multiple graded stakes placed colt **Gun It**.

Friday's nine-race program features a contentious seven-horse affair in a \$87,000 first level allowance contest.

Saturday's 10-race card, which was drawn Wednesday, features the \$100,000 Chilukki (GIII) in Race 9.

Sunday's entries will be drawn Thursday.

**MEET LEADERS** – Jockeys **Florent Geroux** and **Ricardo Santana Jr.** entered Wednesday's card tied for the top of the standings with 19 wins. **Tyler Gaffalione** held third with 17 wins. ... Trainers **Steve Asmussen** and **Mike Maker** shared the lead with 11 wins. **Brad Cox** was in third with seven wins. ... **Ken and Sarah Ramsey's** four wins moved them to the top of the owner's standings. They held a one-win cushion over **Calumet Farm, Jim and Susan Hill** and **Three Diamonds Farm**.

**TV SCHEDULE** – Racing at Churchill Downs continues every Wednesday-Sunday through Nov. 29 daily first post at 1 p.m. (except 11:30 a.m. on Thanksgiving Day). Below is this week's TV schedule on the Fox Sports family of networks:

Wednesday: FS2 (12:30-5:30 p.m.) | MSG+ (12:30-5:30 p.m.)  
Thursday: FS2 (12-6 p.m.) | MSG+ (12-6 p.m.)  
Friday: FS2 (12-6 p.m.) | MSG+ (12-6 p.m.)  
Saturday: FS2 (12-5:30 p.m.) | MSG+ (12-6:30 p.m.)  
Sunday: FS1 (12-4 p.m.), FS2 (4-6 p.m.) | MSG+ (12:30-6 p.m.)

**CHURCHILL DOWNS TO PARTNER WITH NYRA FOR CROSS COUNTRY PICK 5 ON FRIDAY** – Churchill Downs has once again partnered with the New York Racing Association for a Cross Country Pick 5 that included three races from Churchill and two from Aqueduct.

The Race order and approximate post times (all times eastern):

Leg A: Aqueduct Race 7 (2:45 p.m.)  
Leg B: Churchill Race 5 (3:03 p.m.)  
Leg C: Aqueduct Race 8 (3:17 p.m.)  
Leg D: Churchill Race 6 (3:36 p.m.)  
Leg E: Aqueduct Race 9 (3:47 p.m.)

The 50-cent minimum wager has a 15% takeout and can be placed at simulcast centers and ADWs including TwinSpires.com

**DOWN THE STRETCH** – There was a \$136,661 carryover in the 20-cent Single 6 Jackpot for racing on Wednesday. First post was 1 p.m. and the Single 6 spanned Races 4-9. ... Pool 1 of the Kentucky Derby Future Wager and Sire Future Wager will run Thursday, Nov. 26 to Sunday, Nov. 29. More information can be found on [www.kentuckyderby.com/futurewager](http://www.kentuckyderby.com/futurewager). ... The season finale of "Inside Churchill Downs" will air Friday at 6 p.m. on ESPN 680/105.7. The show is streamed live on [www.espnloouisville.com](http://www.espnloouisville.com). ... For more information about the Churchill Downs Fall Meet, visit [www.churchilldowns.com](http://www.churchilldowns.com).

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